GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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Promotion of Footwear Industry
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Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether there are huge possibilities to promote footwear industry in Maharashtra specially of Kolhapur Sandals;
(b) if so, the details thereof; and
(c) the steps taken/proposed to be taken by the Government for promotion of such industries in Maharashtra particularly in Kolhapur?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE)
OF THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE & INDUSTRY
(SHRIMATI NIRMALA SITHARAMAN)

(a) & (b): There are considerable possibilities for promotion of footwear industry all over India including Maharashtra. The details of the interventions in Maharashtra carried out under Indian Leather Development Programme (ILDP) during the 12th Five Year Plan is as given under:

(i) Integrated Development of Leather Sector (IDLS) − Assistance provided to units of Maharashtra under IDLS sub-scheme of ILDP during 12th Five Year Plan is as given under −

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Year Funds Released
2012-13 24.58 Lakh
2013-14 39.29 Lakh
2014-15 0.18 Lakh
2015-16 Nil
Total 64.05 Lakh

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(ii) Support to Artisan (STA) − Assistance is provided to conduct interventions in Maharashtra with GOI assistance of Rs. 10 Crore covering 5500 artisans under 'Support to Artisan' sub-scheme of ILDP.
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Coverage Area 2012-13 2013-14 Total Target Variation
Maharashtra 0 5500 5500 5000 +500

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(iii) Human Resource Development (HRD) − Under HRD sub-scheme of ILDP, placement linked skill development training is being provided to unemployed persons. In the 12th Five Year Plan, 2405 unemployed persons have been provided skill development training in Maharashtra. Out of these, 1860 trainees (77%) have been provided employment in the leather sector by Footwear Design and Development Institute (FDDI), Noida.

(c): Under Indian Leather Development Programme (ILDP) a central sector scheme of Government of India, demand driven assistance is given to the industry in the country to augment raw material base, enhance capacity, modernization and up-gradation of leather units, address environmental concerns, human resource development, support to traditional leather artisans, address infrastructure constraints and establish institutional facilities.

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